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LIQUID FILTER HAVING INTERCHANGEABLE SPIN-ON CANISTE

FILTER AND CARTRIDGE FILTER, AND METHODS

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Box Ext. of Time Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 13, 2002, said period of response being extended from April 13, 2002 to June 13, 2002.

Our check in the amount of \$400.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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